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SUBJECT: WEST COAST OIL PORTS INQUIRY

1. MAJOR PARTICIPANTS IN THE WEST COAST OIL PORTS INQUIRY ARE SUMMARIZING THEIR POSITIONS TO DATE AT A THREE-DAY PUBLIC SESSION WHICH COMMENCED DECEMBER 13 IN VANCOUVER. THE PURPOSE OF THE SUMMATION IS TO ASSIST DR. THOMPSON IN HIS INTERIM REVIEW OF THE INQUIRY WHICH IS TO BE PRESENTED TO OTTAWA BY MARCH 31.

2. IN OPENING DECEMBER 13 SESSION, INQUIRY COUNSEL SUBMITTED A 165-PAGE BRIEF WHICH, WHILE ADMITTING ITS CONCLUSIONS ARE BASED ON INCOMPLETE EVIDENCE, SAYS PORT PROPONENTS HAVE NOT SHOWN THAT CANADA NEEDS A WEST COAST OIL PORT AND STATES THAT U.S. REQUIREMENTS CAN BE MET THROUGH OIL EXCHANGES AND OTHER SHIPMENT ALTERNATIVES. REPORT IS CRITICAL OF KITIMAT PIPE LINE'S "LACK OF COMMITMENT" TO THE INQUIRY AND OTTAWA'S ALLEGED FAILURE TO ANSWER "A HOST OF POLICY QUESTIONS" WHICH COULD HAVE LED TO AN EVALUATION WHETHER A PORT IS ESSENTIAL.

3. COPIES OF REPORT WILL BE MAILED TO EMBASSY AND EUR/CAN.
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